	1995	1996	1997	1998
West Bengal	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
A & N Islands	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Chandigarh	24	39	44	34
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Daman & Diu	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Delhi	819	1029	1011	1012
Lakshadweep	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Pondicherry	233	188	265	204
Total	79397	86362	82390	73404

N.A. = Not Available

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2105. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that "PINTO" Committee was set up for National Shipping Policy;

(b) the recommendations of the Committee and how many have been accepted by Government;

(c) the number of meeting of "National Shipping Board" held during the last three years; and

(d) the details of businesses which have been transacted in each meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Committee made 31 recommendations. Empowered Committee set up by the Government had considered and recommended for acceptance 26 recommendations. Of them 15 recommendations have already been accepted by the Government and action

has since been initiated to examine the remaining 11 recommendations.

(c) and (d) Four meetings of the National Shipping Board were held during the last three years *i.e.* 1997, 1998 and 1999. A list of subject on which businesses transacted during these years are annexed as Statement.

Statement

List of items on which businesses transacted by the National Shipping Board

S. No.	Subject
1.	The dwindling share of Indian Shipping in Indian Overseas Trade during the last four/five years
2.	The problem of securing continuous orders to sustain viable activity and profitability in the shipyards
3.	Role of Shipping in Export Trade and India's economy.
4.	Major and Minor Ports Developement
5.	Containerization—Short Term and Long Term Plans
6.	Amendments to the Merchant Shipping Act and the Multi-Model Transportation of Goods Act
7.	Legislation of Admiralty Law
8.	Need to update the Indian Ports Act and the Major Ports Act to meet the demands for advancement of Technology including containerization and for providing for privatization and for providing an alternative forum like the Ports Tribunal to determine disputes between ports and port users
9.	Registration of Manning Agents
10.	Integrated approach for development of National Maritime Infrastructure and implementation of a security framework
11.	Maritime services for development and utilization of Merchant/ Naval Human Resources
12.	Legislation for control of Marine Pollution
13.	Development of Indian Human Resource for effective development of Indian ships as well as foreign flag ships

S. No.	Subject
14.	Problem relating to manning, Liner Operations, General Port-related and offshore service
15.	Revival of Tramp Operators Committee
16.	To examine the recommendations of the National Shipping Policy Committee
17.	Need to enhance productivity
18.	Containerization-Short Term and Long Term Plans
19.	Registration of manning agents
20.	Participation of Indian Lines in the LNG transportation
21.	Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) fleet
22.	Cargo support to India's fleet
23.	Coastal and passenger Vessel
24.	Progress of Implementation of the National Shipping Policy by the Government of India
25.	Implementation of International Safety Management Code
26.	Increase in Shipping Incidents along the Indian Coast
27.	Accessions to the SAR Convention 1979
28.	Legislation regarding reporting of dangerous cargo
29.	Increasing activities of anti-social elements in various port areas and need to check them
30.	Review of the impact on Coastal Shipping Industry due to relaxation of Cabotage Law
31.	Induction of ratings with higher qualifications
32	Abolition of Age Norms for acquisition of 2nd hand ships.
33.	Reservation of dredging operations on the Indian cost for Indian Dredger Operators
34.	Major and Minor Port Development.
35.	Containerization Short Term and Long Term Plan
36.	Coastal and passenger Vessels
37.	Merchant vessels awaiting orders in coastal waters
38.	Amendments to the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958.